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Docket No. 350013-65

**PATENT**

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Applicant: Ian Baird-Smith et al.  
Serial No.: 09/445,043  
Filed: March 20, 2000  
Title: A CONTAINER CLOSURE  
Examiner: R. Hylton  
Group Art Unit: 3727

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

## **RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 28, 2001 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please add the abstract which is submitted herewith on a separate page.

## IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read:

-- An Open Ended Container Closure Including A Flexible Membrane And A Rigid Cap

## IN THE DRAWINGS

In Fig. 2 please change reference numeral "27" to -- 28 -- as shown in redline on the accompanying copy of Fig. 2. The Examiner's indication of the acceptability of the drawing amendment is requested.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 9, second full paragraph please add the statement of the originally filed claim 13:

The rigid cap supports the body of the can in a radial direction -- as follows a marked up copy of the paragraph being appended hereto.

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